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LETTER DATED 1 JULY 1992 FROM THE REPRESENTATIVES OF MOLDOVA, ROMANIA, RUSSIAN FEDERATION AND UKRAINE ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

We have the honour to transmit to you herewith the text of the communiqué of the meeting of the Presidents of the Republic of Moldova, Romania, the Russian Federation and Ukraine held in Istanbul on 25 June 1992 concerning the conflict in the left-bank regions of the Republic of Moldova.

We should be grateful if you would have the text of this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex

Communiqué of the meeting of the Presidents of the Republic of Moldova, Romania, the Russian Federation and Ukraine

The Presidents of the Republic of Moldova, Romania, the Russian Federation and Ukraine held in Istanbul on 25 June 1992 a working meeting on questions concerning the conflict in the left-bank regions of the Republic of Moldova.

After an exchange of views it was decided:

- To invite both sides in the conflict to cease-fire immediately and unconditionally along the entire line of confrontation;

- In 24 hours after the cease-fire is achieved both sides should start the disengagement of their armed units;

- To establish zones and passages of safety for unhindered movement of civilians, medical personnel and for transportation of humanitarian aid to the population in the afflicted areas;

- Above measures will be carried out by a parliamentarian commission, composed of the representatives of both sides and with participation as observer of the quadripartite mixed commission;

- To examine the question of disengagement forces;

- Neutrality of the 14th Army will be secured. The status of the Army, time and procedure for its withdrawal will be determined at the negotiations between the Russian Federation and the Republic of Moldova, which will start in the nearest future.

Immediately after the cease-fire is achieved effective measures will be taken to provide humanitarian assistance in the afflicted areas and for establishment of necessary conditions for the return of the refugees with the participation in these efforts of the International Committee of the Red Cross, other international humanitarian organizations and national committees of the Red Cross of the four States.

The Presidents call upon the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova to consider and resolve the issue of status of the left-bank regions of the Republic of Moldova.

The Presidents instructed their Ministers of Foreign Affairs to hold a meeting within one week for elaboration of some issues and a mechanism of implementation of the above-mentioned decisions.

The four Presidents consider it necessary to call upon governing bodies of the CSCE to promote actively a settlement of the conflict through mediatory activities as well as through continuous monitoring of the human rights situation.

The leaders of the four States will welcome a more active peacemaking role of the United Nations in the process of political settlement of the problem of the left-bank regions of the Republic of Moldova. In this context they expressed their satisfaction with the decision by the Secretary-General of the United Nations to send a fact-finding mission to the conflict region in the nearest future.

The Presidents of the Republic of Moldova, Romania, the Russian Federation and Ukraine intend to continue contacts among themselves concerning the settlement of the conflict in the left-bank regions of the Republic of Moldova.

The Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the four States took part in the meeting.